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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Preliminarily, kindly amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

36. (Amended) [A non-lymphocytic porcine cell] A transplantable composition for use in humans comprising a cell or tissue of a type normally bearing a surface antigen capable of causing an immune response against the cell in a human recipient, wherein the antigen is modified, masked, or has been partially or wholly eliminated to [inhibit antigen-mediated rejection of the cell in the recipient] decrease said immune response, such that upon introduction of the composition into a human, lysis of said cell or tissue is prevented.